GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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PROJECT TIGER
KHELSAI SINGH

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have notified the new project tiger proposed for Chhattisgarh which has already been approved on January 23, 2003;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons for delay;

(d) the time by which it is likely to be notified; and

(e) the present status of their elephants rehabilitation schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) (b) (c) & (d) In the 37th meeting of the Steering Committee of Project Tiger held on 23rdJanuary 2003, the inclusion of Achanakmar, Udanti, and Sitanadi Wildlife Sanctuaries of Chattisgarh under the Project Tiger Scheme has been recommended. Action has been taken to obtain the approval of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs for inclusion of the above in the Project Tiger Scheme.

(e) No funding support has been provided to Chattisgarh during the last three years for elephant rehabilitation, hence the question of their status does not arise.